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SUBJ: SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REFS: (A) STATE 9007 (NOTAL), (B) 77 BRUSSELS 18534,

(C) 77 BRUSSELS 19205, (D) 77 BRUSSELS 15066

1. POINTS CONTAINED REFTEL (A) WERE CONVEYED TO EC COMMISSION FISHERY OFFICIAL MARCUSSEN ON JANUARY 16. MARCUSSEN EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR USG VIEWS ON POSSIBILITY OF REGIONAL ARRANGEMENT COVERING SHRIMPING IN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GUIANAS FISHERY AND NOTED THAT ALL INTERESTED FISHING AND COASTAL STATES, WITH SOLE EXCEPTION OF BRAZIL, HAVE NOW INDICATED TO THE COMMISSION THEIR INTEREST IN DEVELOPING SOME KIND OF REGIONAL ORGANIZATION. MARCUSSEN SAID THE COMMISSION HAS NOT YET RECEIVED ANY RESPONSE FROM BRAZIL TO THE COMMUNITY PROPOSAL (REF B) THAT A MEETING OF COASTAL AND FISHING STATES BE HELD IN CAYENNE

TO TRY TO REACH DECISION ON SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT, BUT HE INDICATED THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD SOON APPROACH BRAZILIANS AGAIN TO REQUEST REPLY.

2. MARCUSSEN POINTED OUT THAT COMMISSION HAS TAKEN VIEW IN PAST THAT REGIONAL ARRANGEMENT WITHOUT BRAZILIAN PARTICIPATION WOULD BE OF REDUCED UTILITY, BUT HE TOOK NOTE OF MISSION OFFICER'S POINT (PARA 4, REF A) THAT BRAZILIAN FISHING WOULD BE UNLIKELY TO INTERFERE WITH A CONSERVATION PROGRAM IN THE GUIANAS. HE SAID THAT HE COULD NOT FORECAST HOW THE COMMISSION WOULD DECIDE ON THE ISSUE BUT THAT HE HIMSELF SAW NO OBSTACLE TO FORMING A REGIONAL ARRANGEMENT WITHOUT BRAZIL. MARCUSSEN UNDERTOOK TO KEEP MISSION INFORMED OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS, INCLUDING RESULTS OF COMMISSION DISCUSSIONS WITH BRAZILIANS.

3. MARCUSSEN THEN INFORMED MISSION OFFICER THAT HE WAS OBLIGED TO MAKE "FORMAL COMPLAINT" TO USG THAT U.S. VESSELS STILL ARE NOT TRANSMITTING CATCH REPORTS TO CAYENNE AS REQUIRED BY EC LICENSE PROVISIONS, DESPITE PRIOR WARNING BY COMMISSION (REF C). HE SAID VESSELS FROM OTHER STATES HAVE BEEN REPORTING REGULARLY. HE EMPHASIZED THAT, IF REPORTS DO NOT BEGIN COMING IN WITHIN REASONABLE PERIOD OF TIME (HE MENTIONED TWO WEEKS), COMMISSION WILL HAVE TO EXERCISE ITS OPTION (REF D) TO WITHDRAW LICENSES FROM NON-COMPLYING VESSELS. MARCUSSEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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INDICATED, IN THIS CONNECTION, THAT REGULATION GOVERNING THIRD COUNTRY SHRIMPING OFF FRENCH GUIANA AFTER JANUARY 31, WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION TO THE EC COUNCIL, MIGHT POSSIBLY BE BASED UPON NATIONAL CATCH QUOTAS. HE POINTED OUT THAT IT IS THEREFORE IN INTEREST OF U.S. SHRIMPERS TO ESTABLISH RECORD OF ACTUAL CATCH LEVELS. HINTON

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